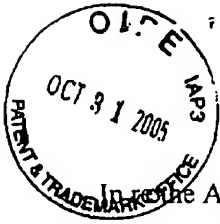


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Attorney Docket Number: **053124**

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REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests a refund of 50% of the fees paid in the subject application on September 27, 2005.

The fees for the Basic National Stage Fee of \$300.00, National Stage Examination Fee of \$200.00 and National Stage Search Fee of \$400.00 paid on September 27, 2005 were that for a large entity. The applicant, however, claims herewith the small entity status. Thus, this application should be entitled to the reduced fees provided for small entities under 37 CFR 1.16.

It is respectfully requested that the 50% excess of the fees paid (\$150.00, \$100.00 and 200.00, respectively, i.e., a total of \$450.00) be credited to Deposit Account 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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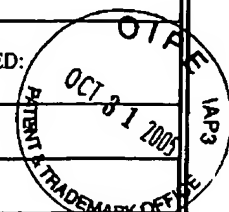
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. Application. No. (if known):
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: PCT/JP2004/004169	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: March 25, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: March 31, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION: <i>TWO-STAGE A/D CONVERTER AND IMAGE SENSOR USING THE SAME</i>		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Shoji KAWAHITO		

Applicant hereby submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

- ☒ This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
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- ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
- ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
- ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)):
 - ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)
- ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - ☒ is attached hereto.
 - ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
 - ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
 - ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
- ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
- ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
- ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

ITEMS 11. TO 20. BELOW CONCERN OTHER DOCUMENT(S) OR INFORMATION INCLUDED:

- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 together with the international search report, PTO/SB/08 and 4 documents.
- ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
ASSIGNEE NAME AND ADDRESS: NATIONAL UNIVERSITY CORPORATION SHIZUOKA UNIVERSITY, Shizuoka-shi, Japan
Please publish the assignee data with the application.
- ☐ A preliminary amendment.
- ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76
- ☐ A substitute specification.
- ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
- ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825.
- ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
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- ☒ Other items or information: 12 sheets of drawings.



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<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$940.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. (\$300.00 for basic national stage fee; \$400.00 for national stage search fee; \$200.00 for national stage examination fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recordation fee);</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-2866 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.</p> <p>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed to request that the application be restored to pending status.</p>					
Send All Correspondence To:		WESTERMAN, HATTORI, DANIELS & ADRIAN, LLP 1250 Connecticut Avenue NW, Suite 700 Washington, DC 20036 CUSTOMER NO. 38834			
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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the papers filed as indicated
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